

**POLITICAL ODDS AND ENDS.**

**THE ABE LINCOLN CLUB FOR REFORM.**  
REPUBLICANS IN THE XXIID ASSEMBLY DISTRICT JOIN THE ANTI-MACHINE MOVEMENT.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted at a meeting of the Abe Lincoln Republican Club of the XXIII Assembly District, at their rooms, No. 185 East Seventy-sixth-st., on Tuesday evening:

"Whereas, The Republican party in the city and county of New York is in need of a thorough reorganization to bring out the full party vote at the next State election, which has been gradually but surely dwindling away; and

"Whereas, The Committee of Thirty-three has allowed itself to draw into a combination with the described disloyal leaders of the party, while there is much in their scheme to command itself to the party at large, we wish to play no part in the game which we do not wish to play—no give the old gang the opportunity of running again; and

"Whereas, We believe that a new class of men would interest all good Republicans, who now sel-dom come to the polls;

"Whereas, We look with favor at the plan proposed by the Anti-Machine Republican Organization and its young leader, Mr. J. E. Millholland, and strongly condemn the treatment he received at the County Committee meeting last Saturday night as un-American, and that the law was passed without any debate allowed on a question of much importance; therefore,

"Resolved, That, having the best interest of our country at heart, we ever hold over to the Anti-Machine Republican Organization of the XXIID Assembly District, that the secretary notify all absent members of the change, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Tribune and Advertiser."

H. B. Page is president of the club and A. Pinans is secretary.

**CIVIL SERVICE LAW VIOLATIONS.**

HOW EX-CONTROLLER CAMPBELL AND GOVERNOR FLOWER TOOK CARE OF THE FAITHFUL.

The following communication, sent under date of January 15 to the State Civil Service Commission, shows how the civil service laws have been disregarded and violated by Democrats. The letter is from the New-York Civil Service Reform Association, and is indorsed by the New-York State Civil Service Reform League. It is as follows:

Acting in accordance with permission given by your honorable committee to examine the records of the association at any time, the attorney-general, Secretary of this association, Mr. McAneny, on Monday last, examined such of the records as relate to the correction of recently existing violations of the law.

At the time of the conference between the committee of this association and your honorable body in July last there were seventy-seven positions in the competitive schedule illegally filled, the persons holding them being wholly responsible regard to the Civil Service law. Nineteen of these persons were engineers and elevator men in the Department of Public Works, whose proper retention in their respective employments, we are informed, has since been provided for.

The fifty-eight positions were, in the main among the most important of those classified in schedule.

In a communication dated August 15 last the attention of the Governor was called to the existence of these serious violations of the law, and the request made that he take steps to correct the same. Nothing was done.

The only means of correction practicable which would in effect ne-

state the dismissal of the persons illegally in office was the issuance of the Controller's Proclamation.

Campbell has been requested, however, to continue the illegal signing of warrants for the payment of salaries to these persons.

There existed at the same time a number of violations of the law which, however, the present plan of execution of the law rendering the correction of these purely formal, no further note has been made by us.

Neither the Governor nor the Controller com-piled with the request that the law be properly enforced, and the persons illegally employed were suffered to remain in position and to receive payment of salary.

A short time before taking office the Controller-elect, Mr. Roberts, announced that he would enforce the law and pay no salaries to those whose illegal retention in position had been found.

The examination made by him, however, showed that during the latter part of December about fifteen positions were transferred with the approval of the Governor from the competitive to the non-competitive schedule, the former of those on the list of fifty-eight and several which had been illegally filled, though not directly reported to the Commission.

The investigation shows, moreover, that of the list of fifty-eight, there were at the time, January 8, forty-two violations remaining, a list of which is inclosed herewith. Of the reduction of six which are accounted for, four were by the Controller, Robert, of the illegally employed clerks in his own office. Four were brought about by transfers made, and two by the non-competitive examination, under different designations, of the persons employed.

The number of persons illegally employed, but never reported to the Commission, must remain uncertain, as it is in the opinion of the examiners that the names on the payrolls presented to him with a certified list of the proper appointments, but that the number is large may be inferred from the fact that the four individuals of the work were found by the Controller in his own office.

In regard to the manner in which the reduction of the number of violations has been brought about, this committee, in its opinion, the public interest has not been served, and that the usefulness of the Civil Service law has been seriously impaired.

In regard to the transfers made with the ap-proval of the Governor, the committee would state that the law expressly requires that there shall be "open competitive examinations" for the positions to be filled, in the sanctioning the transfer to the non-competitive class of positions which have always been in the competitive, and which, it would seem, are now removed, therefore, from the provisions of the Civil Service act in respect thereto have been violated.

We respectfully request that in the interest of the public good and as a necessary step toward the proper preservation of the Civil Service law these positions be retransferred by your honorable body to the schedules in which they originally stood.

G. W. WATSON,  
Chairman Committee on Civil Service Examinations,  
New-York Civil Service Reform Association.

**STOCKS ABOUT LIFELESS.****THEY CLOSE A TRIFLE LOWER.****A FEW EXCEPTIONS WERE FURNISHED BY INDUSTRIAL AND SPECIAL SHARES.**

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE JANUARY 17.

SALES OF BONDS AND BANK STOCKS.

1894 TUES. JAN. 17. 74 3000 MILLS & W. ST.

1894 TUES. JAN. 17. 56 1000 M. & S. PL. ST.

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